

Dublin, July 26. 57

Dear Mrs Chapman

I have just received your
note, and as my friend Samuel
Haughton, the only ^{friend} son of
my mutual friend James
Haughton, goes to London this
evening, I was about to ask
him to hand the parcel to
yourself. But for your request
I would not willingly allow it
to go so far out of my own
possession. By the prompt
kindness of Mr & Mrs Estlin
I was speedily informed of the
unlucky news you had
from New York and also of
the favorable change you have
since heard of.

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I write to your sister Caroline
a day or two since - and I
need not tell you that you
all have my most hearty
& respectful sympathy. I wish
ed for ~~the~~ up the hope I have
so long entertained of seeing
you in good Birmm with Stuart.

I am rejoiced to hear of
George Thompson's meeting with
his constituents as an repre-
sent. it. It was mentioned
in a Dublin paper (the leading,
(probably from the Times) in a
contemptuous way, as if he
had gone on his knees to ask
pardon, & the people ^{had} told him
to get up, wipe his eyes, & be a
good boy - but to take care not
to behave the same way another time.

I had a long and pleasant
letter from Mrs. Estlin today
enclosing a playful note for
my daughter from Mr. Estlin
who I hope is improving. Miss
Estlin amuses me with her
eccentric poems contained in
such a frail basket

I am glad such a use is about
to be made of the D. Sprentype,
but I shall be anxiously on the
look out for its return - for it
is the gem of my collection.

With kind regards to you all,
Yours ever truly

Richd. D. Webb

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